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LETTER DATED 18 NOVEMBER 1994 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CROATIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter dated 18 November 1994 from the President of the Republic of Croatia, Dr. Franjo Tudjman, addressed to you, and a copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Willy Claes, Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

I would request your kind assistance in distributing this letter and its annexes as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mario NOBILO
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex I

Letter dated 18 November 1994 from the President of the Republic of Croatia to the President of the Security Council

Forces of the rebel Serbs have been attacking Bosnia and Herzegovina from the United Nations Protected Areas in Croatia. These attacks include air strikes from Udbina Airfield, artillery barrages, and cross-border attacks by rebel Serb ground troops. The Republic of Croatia urgently requests assistance from the United Nations in ending these attacks. Specifically, the Government of Croatia requests air strikes on the attacking forces.

(Signed) Franjo TUDJMAN
President of the Republic
of Croatia

Annex II

Letter dated 18 November 1994 from the President of the Republic of Croatia to the Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization

In order to end the attacks on Bosnia and Herzegovina from Croatian soil by rebel Serbs in the United Nations Protected Areas, the Republic of Croatia approves NATO air strikes against targets in the United Nations Protected Areas that are being used for these attacks. For a period of one week, beginning at 2000 hours (GMT) on 18 November 1994, the Republic of Croatia also approves the NATO proposal for close air support for UNPROFOR in sector A-1 of the restricted operating zone, as presented by Ambassador Galbraith.

The Republic of Croatia is prepared to negotiate with NATO for close air support on a longer-term basis in a way that is not disruptive to our civil aviation. We are granting temporary approval of the NATO request in order to enable NATO to address the immediate threat posed by recent and ongoing attacks from the United Nations Protected Areas into Bosnia and Herzegovina.

(Signed) Franjo TUDJMAN
President of the Republic
of Croatia